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GOSSIP. The Western Dairymen's Association will hold its annual convention and winter dairy show in London, Ont., January 15th to 18th.

The Scottish Farmer, noting the record of the recent Flatt sale, states that it is all right for the breeders of Scotch Shorthorns, and should give a send-off to the late Old Country

R. J. & A. Laurie, Wolverton, Ont., write: "Please find enclosed a change of ad. We have a fine lot of birds on hand now, and have had a very good season's trade. We have shipped all over Canada, and some to the United States. We offer birds, both old and young, in almost all varieties, and all of the best strains. See our advertisement in this paper."

Mr. Robt. Beith, Bowmanville; Prof. W. G. Carlyle, B. S. A., Wisconsin State University; and Prof. J. A. Craig, Iowa Agricultural College, have been appointed to judge the Clydesdale horses at the December Show in Chicago this year.

At a meeting of the Eastern Dairymen's Association, held in Toronto on Sept. 5th, it was decided to hold the next annual convention at Smith's Falls. There will be awards made for essays, to be competed for by cheese and butter producers. Final arrangements for these are not yet arranged for.

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Henry Glide, of Sacramento, will exhibit at the California State Fair twenty-five Rambouillet sheep, the pick of those at the Paris Exposition, and selected by him. The Glide flocks number 10,000 sheep, and Mr. G. annually sells over 2,500 rams from his Sacramento, Yolo and Solano farms, many going to Europe, Australia and South Africa. Gen. Joubert was about visiting Mr. Glide, to select stock, when the Boer war broke out.

It is stated that foot-and-mouth disease has become very prevalent in France, its extension in recent months having been extremely rapid. Fairs and markets have had to be closed in the infected districts, and the movements of live stock have been restricted. The widespread character of the attack has stirred up the authorities to the exercise of vigorous measures, which have already had a good effect.

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Appearances are sometimes about as deceptive with dairy cows as with other classes of stock. Of this a striking ilfustration is afforded by the photograph of the Shorthorn cow which so creditably acquitted herself at the milking trials in connection with the recent show at Tring (Eng.), where she produced a very fine yield of 4½ lbs. of butter in a day. The photo of this cow would not lead one to regard her as likely to possess anything like special superiority at the pail. She possesses a fair-sized and well-carried udder, but she has by no means the great depth and width in quarters which one naturally looks for in a heavy milker. For a cow capable of producing over six gallons of milk in a day, she is disappointingly light behind, being very short from the hip to the tailhead, and lacking in depth and fulness in the hind quarters. The cow is eight years of age. She produced during the day 6¾ gallons of milk and 4½ lbs. of butter, or an average of 1 lb. of butter to every 1½ gallons of milk.

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JAMES DOUGLAS' SHORTHORN CATTLE AND LEICESTER SHEEP.

It will be remembered that when Mr. James Douglas, of Caledonia, Ont., disposed of the bull, Duncan Stanley, to his breeders, Messrs. W. & J. Russell, his stall was at once occupied by imp. Christopher 28859, by Emancipator (6547), and out of Fairy Girl, by Gravesend, tracing to the Fair Queen and Lovely tribes. Shortly after his importation by Messrs. Cargill, we had the pleasure of seeing him, and again at a recent date. Christopher has grown into a bull of smooth proportions, with excellent character, and as a few of his calves were on hand when we called, we had an opportunity of seeing that our predictions of a year ago were well fulfilled. He is mating admirably on Duncan Stanley's daughters, and visitors to the farm will at once be impressed with the quality of the low-set, thick-fleshed calves owning Christopher as their sire. Uniformity of quality appears to be one of their strong features; yet we perhaps cannot attribute! his all to one generation, as the Caledonia herd is perhaps one of the oldest and strongest bred in Canada. The best bulls in their day have been employed here, and many of the highest types of sires have gone out from this herd to do service. When we called, Mr. Douglas had a splendid bunch of 14 Duncan Stanley yearling heifers, a number of which are included in his offerings. Thirty-five or more breeding cows are constantly kept on hand in good breeding condition, and a good lot of calves of both sexes may always be found. A few choice Leicester shearling rams and ewes and this season's crop of lambs are held for sale. See Mr. Douglas' offerings in another column.

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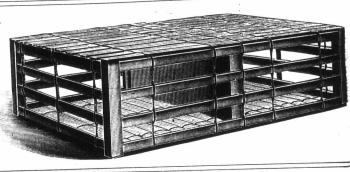
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Prof. C. F. Curtiss writes thus from the Iowa Agricultural College: "I notice that you announce that John A. Craig has resigned to